

May 29, 2007

The Common Council met as the Water Utility Board at 7:00 p.m. on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Knowles presiding and members Askren, Tucker, Curtis, and Cooper attending. Board member Rueger was not present. Others attending were Attorney Beth Folz; Roy Maynard; Cecil Waters; Roger and Lorelei Barnes; Becky Higgins; Larry Williams; and arriving during the meeting, Judy Whitten.

Mayor Knowles called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions.

Board member Curtis on the bottom of Page 1, the word Re-Ox needs to be added as follows:

Board member Curtis asked if there is a risk in adding Re-Ox to the lines ?

Board member Askren moved the minutes be approved, with the above listed change. Seconded by Board member Cooper.

Mayor Knowles stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, she reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Knowles requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Askren moved all the claims presented be approved, with the exception of the Data Design claim, which the Board would like to review with Supt. Gray at a later date. Seconded by Board member Cooper.

Mayor Knowles stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, she reported the motion carried unanimously.

\*\*\*\*\*CLAIMS\*\*\*\*\*

Water Operating & Maintenance	\$ 32,117.81
Water Works Improvements	7,060.00

Mayor Knowles stated the Water Superintendent is absent.

Board member Cooper stated Supt. Gray had told him the new General Electric water meter is in and up and running; complete and on line.

Mayor Knowles reported Johnson Controls is 58% done with the other meters and their 3<sup>rd</sup> payment was wired to them last week. She added she has already received a request for the 4<sup>th</sup> payment.

Judy Whitten arrived at the meeting.

Mayor Knowles stated they have the Financial Report and any questions could be directed to Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe.

Mayor Knowles asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Board ? Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe replied not at this time.

Mayor Knowles stated on the Legal portion of the Agenda is an update in the filter project. She then stated as no one from MAI is here, nor Supt. Gray, they should table until the next meeting.

Attorney Folz added Attorney Higgins has been in email contact with Ted Summer as of last Friday, and agreed they should table any discussion for now.

Mayor Knowles asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board ?  
There was no response.

Mayor Knowles asked if there was any Old Business ?  
There was none.

Mayor Knowles asked if there was any New Business ?  
There was none.

Mayor Knowles stated if there was no further business, she entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Cooper moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Curtis.

Mayor Knowles stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, she reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

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Rosemary L. Knowles  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cristi L. Wolfe  
Clerk-Treasurer

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The Common Council met immediately following the Water Utility Board on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Knowles presiding and members Askren, Tucker, Curtis, and Cooper attending. Councilman Rueger was not present. Others attending were Attorney Beth Folz; Roy Maynard; Cecil Waters; Roger and Lorelei Barnes; Becky Higgins; Larry Williams; Judy Whitten; and arriving during the meeting, Sis Claxton.

Mayor Knowles called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. She added if not, she entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented.

Councilwoman Askren moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

Mayor Knowles stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, she reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Knowles stated they will now hear the reports of the Standing Committees.

Street & Light Chairman Rueger is not present.

Comm. Epison is not present.

Mayor Knowles asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Knowles stated Chief Reese and Chief Beloit are both in a de-briefing this evening.

Sewer Chairman Tucker stated he has no report.

Mayor Knowles asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Knowles asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Council ? Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe replied not at this time.

Mayor Knowles stated on the Legal portion of the Agenda is the first reading of the ordinance creating a Park & Recreation Non-Reverting Capital Fund, but it is her understanding from Supt. Tate that Councilman Curtis and Park Board President Bennett have discussed this and that it should again be tabled.

Sis Claxton arrived at the meeting.

Mayor Knowles asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Council ?

There was no response.

Mayor Knowles asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

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Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe stated she would like to inform that Board that in the future, she may be presenting them with paperwork to obtain loans. She explained that with the delay in property tax payments, some funds will be in serious jeopardy. She added that she will first do in-house loans before going to an outside institution.

Mayor Knowles stated they will now hear the reports of the Districts.

1<sup>st</sup> District Councilwoman Askren stated it was brought to her attention that the St. Matthew Daycare is located in an area with a 30 mph speed limit and that there are many cars speeding in the area.

Mayor Knowles stated she will get with Chief Beloit on the situation.

Councilwoman Askren stated she does not want to open a can of worms, but she was wondering if the speed limit should be reduced to 20 mph in daycare areas. The public really needs to slow down near daycares.

Councilman Cooper stated the Street Department may have some signs that could be of help.

Mayor Knowles replied putting up signs may increase the city's liability.

Councilman Curtis agreed by stating there are so many different daycares in so many different parts of town, they may miss some.

Councilman Cooper stated he was suggesting the Children at Play signs.

Councilman Tucker stated the best deterrent is a police car in the area.

Mayor Knowles again stated she will check with Chief Beloit to see what his suggestions are. She then stated she will email the city insurance carrier and see if that is feasible, but considering some are private businesses, she is not sure of their response.

Councilman Curtis added there are also school playgrounds on the same street as some daycares.

Mayor Knowles added this brings to mind an email she received from the city's insurance carrier about the possibility of placing a sign at the riverfront, as they had discussed a few meetings back. She stated ONB suggested a boat ramp sign be placed there. She added Bliss McKnight says the city can install a sign at their own discretion, and they suggested a Dead End sign.

Councilman Curtis stated an ordinance could be drafted to add a sign, and they could possibly put up an informational sign reading OHIO RIVER. He stated a STOP sign should be sufficient.

2<sup>nd</sup> District Councilman Tucker stated he has no report.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Councilman Rueger was not present.

4<sup>th</sup> District Councilman Curtis stated he has no report.

Councilman-at-Large Cooper questioned the impact the rising gas prices have had on the city budgets ?

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe replied she can tell him in two days, at the end of May, where they stand.

Mayor Knowles added there were EPA alerts today concerning leaving vehicles running, etc.

Councilman Curtis stated they should try to conserve where they can, it is definitely going to be an issue.

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Councilman Cooper moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

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